

Remarks

Claims 1-40 have been amended to more precisely claim the present invention and correct minor typographical errors. Claim 1 was amended to include much of the claim language previously found in dependent claim 4 and to highlight that the delta encoder is logically remote from the request server. Changes were made to independent claims 14 and 29 that are similar to claim 1. No claims have been canceled. Claims 1-40 remain pending in the application.

Amendments to Specification

The application has been amended to correct minor typographical errors, formatting inconsistency and to address the informalities. A substitute specification is enclosed. As required by 37 C.F.R. 1.125(c), clean and marked-up versions of the specification are enclosed. Applicant submits that the enclosed substitute specification contains no new matter. The Applicant respectfully request that the substitute specification be accepted.

35 U.S.C. §102

The Examiner rejected claims 1-40 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Fascenda U.S. Patent No. 6,466,937 (Fascenda '937). Fascenda '937 generally describes utilizing a transaction and template database and generating a page based on the template and information from the transaction database. In contrast, the present invention as now claimed includes a delta encoder that is logically remote or separate from a request server and template server. The delta encoder calculates delta information based on the template information. In short, Fascenda '937 does not teach a delta encoder as specified in independent claim 1. This delta encoder receives template information from a template server while being logically remote from the request server. At best, Fascenda '937 has a transaction database or information store 334, but no delta encoder separate from the server 306.

Claims 2-13 depend from claim 1 and therefore are allowable over Fascenda '937 for the same reasons that claim 1 is allowable. Claims 15-28 depend from claim 14 and therefore are allowable over Fascenda '937 for the same reasons that claim 14 is

allowable. Claims 30-40 depend from claim 29 and therefore are allowable over Fascenda '937 for the same reasons that claim 29 is allowable.

In addition, dependent claims 4, 21, and 32 are directed to sending statistical information about the benefits of the delta encoder to the template server which are not taught by Fascenda '937. Dependent claims 5, 16, and 33 are directed to having several delta encoders associated with a request server and having the delta encoders logically remote from the template server which are not taught by Fascenda '937. Dependent claims 6, 17, and 34 are directed to having several devices or request servers configured to respond to a request and having the devices or request servers logically remote from the template server which are not taught by Fascenda '937. Dependent claims 9-11, 25, 26, 37, and 38 are directed to clientless delta caching systems that have a program fragment sent as part of the delta information which is not taught by Fascenda '937. For example, such a program fragment could enable retrieving template information at the client device. The Applicant respectfully points out that the figure and column of text of Fascenda '937 identified by the Examiner does not, and other parts of the same reference do not, teach having delta information as presently claimed.

Therefore, under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), Fascenda '937 fails to teach the present invention as claimed in claims 1-40 and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

The Applicant has reviewed the other references cited the by Examiner and determined that they do not teach or suggest the present invention.

Conclusion

On the basis of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-40 are now believed to be in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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